MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE, ARKANSAS HELD IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF CITY HALL ON MAY 16, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT AND PRESIDING: Mayor David Rieder.

ALDERMEN PRESENT: Eddie Bradley, Heather Johnston, Eddie King, Danna Schneider, Judy Weaver and Freeman Wish.

Paving for Fire Deparment

Alderman Weaver made a motion to appropriate \$35,000 from the Fire Maintenance Fund to pave the parking lot at the Massengale Fire Department which Alderman Bradley seconded. Vote aye: Alderman Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver, and Wish.

Municipal Code

Mayor Rieder discussed the differences between Municipal Code and Planning & Zoning Code and clarified what was approved at the May 13, 2019 City Council meeting.

Resolution for Incentives

Mayor Rieder stated the Chamber of Commerce has requested that the City pass a Resolution for an Economic Incentive Package that will allow the Chamber to offer matching grants for restoration within the downtown district. Alderman Schneider suggested waiting until the June meeting to allow time to review the Resolution.

Public use Facility at the Corner of Legion and Main

The Mayor addressed safety concerns and future plans for the property at the corner of Legion and Main. Morgan Barrett discussed various code and ADA violations that need to be addressed and stated that an architect would be able to provide a code check and estimate of cost to bring the property into compliance.

Alderman Schneider motioned to hire an architect at a cost up to \$6,000 to assess the building which Alderman Wish seconded. The following vote was recorded:

Vote aye: Alderman Johnston, Schneider, and Wish.

Vote nay: Alderman Bradley, King, and Weaver.

Vote failed 3-3.

After further discussion, Alderman Weaver motioned that the property not be occupied until it is safe to do so which Alderman Bradley seconded.

Vote aye: Alderman Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver, and Wish.

Morgan Barrett will contact Bog Heigel and request a ballpark cost to bring the property up to code and report back to the Council.

Parks and Rec Grant Possibility

Mayor Rieder requested permission to pursue a 50/50 grant through West Central Arkansas Planning for an all-inclusive playground. Estimated cost to build the playground ranges from \$175,000 to \$200,000. Two possible locations are under consideration.

Alderman Wish motioned to authorize the Mayor to pursue the grant application process which Alderman Weaver seconded.

Vote aye: Alderman Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver, and Wish.

After motion being made and seconded the meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

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Mayor David Rieder

ATTEST:

City Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Blackard